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Applicants: STEPHEN M. POTTER et al.

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Charlotte, North Carolina
July 27, 2006

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action mailed on May 23, 2006, kindly enter the following amendment.

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